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SUBJECT: "PRG" ISSUE AT LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 277249

1. PICTET INFORMED US DECEMBER 20 THAT FONMIN GRABER WOULD PROBABLY DECIDE QUESTION OF RULING AT JANUARY 17 MEETING WITH FPD OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE. HE WAS NOT CERTAIN THAT HE WOULD BE AUTHORIZED TO INFORM US AT THAT TIME HOW GRABER WOULD DECIDE THE ISSUE. WE WILL MAKE EFFORT TO TALK TO GRABER OR OTHER HIGH FPD OFFICIALS ABOUT DESIRABILITY OF OBTAINING AN EARLY INDICATION OF HIS THINKING BUT FRANKLY ARE NOT SANGUINE.

2. PICTET EXPRESSED SOME CONCERN THAT IN UNLIKELY EVENT GOS PROVIDES US WITH ADVANCE INFORMATION HOW GRABER WOULD RULE, THIS MIGHT LEAK IN COURSE OF OUR CONFIDENTIAL

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SUBSEQUENT DEMARCHES. UNFRIENDLY DELS COULD THEN USE

THIS TO DISCREDIT A GRABER RULING. PICTET ALSO EXPRESSED
VIEW THAT SINCE THE PRO-"PRG" FORCES HAVE NUMBER OF
TACTICAL OPTIONS OPEN TO THEM AND MIGHT SPRING SOME
SURPRISES, IT MIGHT NOT BE ADVISABLE TO ESTABLISH TOO
RIGID SET OF DEFENSIVE TACTICS.

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